ANNUAL POLICE RETURN

SHOWING THE

STATE OF CRIME IN THE TOWN & ISLAND OF BOMBAY

DURING THE YEAR 1885.

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CHIEF PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATE;

To

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Judicial Department.

Bombay, Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court, 17th March 1886.

SIR,

I have the honour to transmit, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, the accompanying Statements marked A. to J., showing the state of crime in the city of Bombay during the year 1885 as reported by the Executive Police, as also the business before the Presidency Magistrates' Courts during the same period.

2. It will be seen that 41,469 persons were charged in the Magistrates' Courts with the various offences noted in those returns.

For disposal in 1885—41,469, including 37 persons whose cases remained undisposed of at the close of the year 1884.	Convicted.	Acquitted, withdrawn and dismissed for want of evidence.
High Court	31	8
By Presidency Magistrates	33,651	7,699
Convicted	33,682	7,707
Acquitted	*7,707	
Remanded	†80	
Total in 1885 ...	41,469	
Total in 1884 ...	37,495	
Increase ...	3,974	

3. As shown in the margin, there is an increase of 3,974 persons charged in 1885 as compared with the returns for 1884. During that year, 37,495 persons were placed or summoned before the several Magistrates' Courts.

* Including 3 persons transferred to the authorities at Poona.
,, 2 do. do. do. Ahmednagar.
,, 1 person do. do. Khándesh.
,, 1 do. do. do. Baroda.
,, 4 persons sent to the Lunatic Asylum.
,, 1 person who died before trial.

† Including 1 person whose case remained undisposed of by the High Court.

4. In the offences noticed below there was an increase chiefly under the heads "Assault," "Gambling," "Offences relating to drivers of hack conveyances" and "Nuisance":—

Culpable homicide not amounting to murder ...	2
Attempt to murder	3
Causing grievous hurt	10
Causing hurt	44
Robbery	7
Forgery and possessing or using as genuine forged documents	1
Possession of stolen property	6
Assaulting and resisting Police Officers	38
Assault	999

Defamation	8
Offences relating to weights and measures	7
Dishonest misappropriation of property	5
Gambling	187
Criminal intimidation and using abusive language ...	81
Offences under the Opium Act	10
Act dangerous to life or safety	3
Causing death by negligence	4
Breach of Tramway Act	80
Furious and negligent driving	6
Vagrants	5
Offences relating to drivers of hack conveyance ...	1,395
Nuisance under Police and Municipal Acts and Indian Penal Code	2,010
Refusal of duty on board ships, &c.	87
Offences under the Railway Acts	23
Offences relating to boatmen	53
Offences under the Port Act	49
Breach of Contagious Diseases' Act	31
Do. Artificers' Act	1
Do. Passengers' Act	3

5. There was a decrease in the offences noticed below:—

Murder...	7
Kidnapping and abduction	17
House-breaking	16
Theft	296
Cheating	16
Criminal breach of trust	126
Offences relating to coin	5
Dishonestly receiving stolen property	28
Attempt to commit suicide	14
Mischief	20
Lurking with intent to steal	21
Mutiny	1
Criminal or house-trespass	12
Exposing newly-born children	3
Abusing and torturing animals	442
Disorderly or indecent behaviour in public streets ...	426
Municipal offences	195
Selling liquor without license	29
Breach of Arms' Act	12
Do. Vaccination Act	27
Do. Post Office Act	12
Do. Distress Act	8
Do. Jails Act...	3
Do. Gas Light Act	1
Do. Tobacco Act	2
Do. Factory Act	1

Years.	Prisoners.
1881	31,399
1882	38,657
1883	40,394
1884	37,495
1885	41,469

6. The statement in the margin shows the total number of persons brought before the Magistrates' Courts from 1881 to 1885.

Murder.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*10	4
1884	9	11
Increase ...	1	...
Decrease ...	...	7

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

*Including 6 undetected cases.

7. During the past year I am glad to report there was a marked decrease, as compared with the preceding year, in the number of persons charged with murder. There were four cases implicating four persons.

8. In one of these cases a Mahomedan suspecting his wife's fidelity stabbed her with a knife in the abdomen, causing her death. He was convicted at the High Court and sentenced to transportation for life.

9. In another case a Mahomedan murdered another Mahomedan through motives of jealousy. It appeared from the evidence that the accused had made an offer of marriage to a woman of the same caste, but she refused it, and married the deceased. The accused was convicted and sentenced to death.

10. In the third case an aged Mahomedan in the service of His Highness Aga Khan was stabbed to death by a Khoja, who was convicted at the High Court and sentenced to death. From the evidence it is not apparent with what motive this murder was committed.

11. In the fourth case a Hindu labourer of the Bania caste strangled a Hindu lad, about twelve years of age, for the sake of gold and silver ornaments worn by the lad. The prisoner was convicted at the High Court and sentenced to death.

12. In addition to the cases noted in the margin, two other cases of murder are stated by the Acting Commissioner of Police to have been detected by the Police, but the offenders in these cases committed suicide before they could be placed before the Magistrates.

Culpable homicide not amounting to murder.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*4	3
1884	1	1
Increase ...	3	2

As shown in Statement A., Class II.
* Including 1 undetected case.

13. In 1885 there were three cases under this head. Two of the accused were tried and acquitted by the High Court, and the case against the third was pending before a Magistrate at the close of the year.

14. For the offence of causing grievous hurt there is, in 1885, an increase of ten persons as compared with 1884. Of the seventy persons so charged in 1885 three were convicted by the High Court and thirty-nine by the Magistrates; some of the rest were acquitted, and the charges against others dismissed, and three cases implicating nine prisoners were pending at the close of 1885.

Causing grievous hurt.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*46	70
1884	44	60
Increase ...	2	10

As shown in Statement A., Class II.
* Including 2 undetected cases.

Causing hurt.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	139	239
1884	148	195
Increase ...	...	44
Decrease ...	9	...

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

15. There is an increase in the number of persons brought before the Courts for causing hurt in 1885 as compared with the previous year. Of the 239 persons charged with this offence during the past year three were convicted by the High Court and 139 by the Magistrates. Eighty-three were acquitted or discharged, and one was sent to the Lunatic Asylum.

Kidnapping and Abduction.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*13	10
1884	19	27
Decrease ...	6	17

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

*Including 4 cases in which process was refused.

Adultery and enticing away married women, &c.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	110	134
1884	114	134
Decrease ...	4	...

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

House-breaking.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*96	49
1884	92	65
Increase ...	4	...
Decrease ...	...	16

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

*Including 51 undetected cases and 1 case in which process was refused.

Theft above Rs. 50.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*380	172
1884	406	201
Decrease ...	26	29

Statement A., Class III., included in the offence of ordinary theft.

*Including 205 undetected cases and 15 cases in which process was refused.

Theft of Rs 50 and below Rs. 50.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*1,839	1,309
1884	2,379	1,576
Decrease ...	540	267

Statement A., Class III., included in the offence of ordinary theft.

*Including 571 undetected cases and 30 cases in which process was refused.

16. For the offences noticed in the margin there is an increase of seventeen in the number of persons charged in 1885 as compared with the previous year. Five persons were convicted by the Magistrates, and the rest were acquitted or discharged.

17. It will be seen that the same number of persons were charged with adultery and enticing away married women in 1885 as in 1884. Fourteen of the 134 persons charged with this offence were convicted by the Magistrates and the rest were acquitted or discharged, with the exception of one person the inquiry regarding whom was pending at the close of the year 1885.

18. This head shows a decrease in 1885 of sixteen in the number of offenders. Forty-two persons were punished and five acquitted by the Magistrates. One person was committed to the High Court for trial, and the case against him was pending at the close of the year. One case was also similarly pending before a Magistrate.

19. There is a decrease in 1885 in the number of persons charged with theft above Rs. 50 as shown in the margin. 117 persons were convicted by the Magistrate in 1885; forty-seven were acquitted or discharged, and the cases against eight were pending before the Magistrates at the close of the year under report.

20. There is also a decrease in the offence of theft of property of the value of Rs. 50 and below, as also in the number of offenders. Five of these, being habitual offenders, were committed to the High Court for trial and were convicted. 1,157 persons were punished, and 142 acquitted or discharged by the Magistrate. The cases against five persons were pending at the close of the past year.

Criminal breach of trust.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*389	298
1884	462	424
Decrease ...	73	126

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

*Including 46 undetected cases and 64 cases in which process was refused.

Cheating.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*134	107
1884	99	123
Increase ...	35	...
Decrease ...	...	16

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

*Including 48 cases in which process was refused.

Possession of stolen property.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*416	523
1884	434	517
Increase ...	...	6
Decrease ...	18	...

As shown in Statement A., Class III.

*Including 1 case in which process was refused.

Computed value of property stolen.

Years.	Amount.
	Rs. a. p.
1885	2,27,116 6 1½
1884	1,52,100 7 11
Increase ...	75,015 14 2½

Computed value of property recovered.

Years.	Amount.
	Rs. a. p.
1885	1,28,771 4 8½
1884	76,978 14 8
Increase ...	51,792 6 0½

21. There were 298 persons charged with the offence of criminal breach of trust during the past year against 424 in 1884, being a decrease of 126 in 1885. Of these, 156 were on conviction imprisoned or fined by the Magistrates, 138 were acquitted, one was convicted and sentenced by the High Court, and one was transferred to the Baroda authorities. The cases against three persons were pending before the Magistrates at the close of the year.

22. Under this head there is a decrease in the number of persons charged before the Courts in 1885 as compared with the previous year. Twenty-four were convicted by the Magistrates and two by the High Court. The others were acquitted or discharged, and one case implicating three persons was pending before a Magistrate at the close of the past year.

23. An increase of six persons is shown under this head in 1885 as compared with 1884. Of the 523 persons charged, 468 were convicted by the Magistrates, fifty-one were acquitted or discharged, the cases against three were transferred to the authorities at Poona and two to those at Ahmednagar.

24. From the present returns it appears that property of the alleged value of Rs. 2,27,116-6-1½ was stolen during the year 1885, being an increase of Rs. 75,015-14-2½ as compared with 1884.

25. The value of the above property recovered is Rs. 1,28,771-4-8½, or 57 per cent.

26. The alleged value of stolen property in cases in which the persons implicated have not been detected, is Rs. 86,979-7-11. This sum is included in the aggregate amount of property said to have been stolen.

27. Property of the value of Rs. 30,790-7-2 is stated to have been recovered by the Police in undetected cases of theft, house-breaking and criminal breach of trust.

Forgery and possessing or using as genuine forged documents.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*6	8
1884	1	7
Increase ...	5	1

As shown in Statement A., Class I.
*Including 1 case in which process was refused.

28. For forgery and possessing or using as genuine forged documents eight persons were charged before the Magistrates during the past year against seven in the year preceding. They were acquitted.

False evidence in judicial proceedings.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*2	1
1884	1	1
Increase ...	1	...

As shown in Statement A., Class I.
*Including 1 case in which process was refused.

29. As in 1884 so in 1885 only one person was charged with giving false evidence in a judicial proceeding at the High Court. The accused was committed for trial to that tribunal, where he was acquitted.

Offences relating to coin.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*10	10
1884	15	15
Decrease ...	5	5

As shown in Statement A., Class I.
*Including 1 undetected case.

30. It will be seen that ten persons were placed before the Courts in 1885 for offences relating to coinage, showing a decrease of five as compared with the preceding year. Seven of these were convicted and punished and two were acquitted by the Magistrates, and the case against one was pending before me at the close of the year.

Defamation.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	*42	37
1884	19	29
Increase ...	23	8

As shown in Statement A., Class II.
*Including 14 cases in which process was refused.

31. There were thirty-seven persons charged with the offence of defamation during the past year, being eight more than in the preceding year. Three were convicted and punished, nine were acquitted, and twenty-five were discharged by the Magistrates.

Persons charged under the Municipal Acts III. of 1872 and IV. of 1878.

Years.	Prisoners.
1885	5,577
1884	5,772
Decrease ...	195

As shown in Statement A., Breach of Special Laws.

32. There is a decrease as compared with 1884 in the number of persons summoned before the Courts in 1885 by the Municipal Department. In 1884 there were 5,772 persons charged with breaches of the Municipal laws against 5,577 in 1885, being a decrease in the latter year of 195. Fines amounting to Rs. 3,909-12-0 were levied under the Municipal Acts during the past year.

Offences under the Public Conveyance Act.

Years.	Prisoners.
1885	4,537
1884	3,142
Increase ...	1,395

As shown in Statement A., Breach of Special Laws.

33. In the number of persons charged with offences under the Public Conveyance Act there is a large increase. Of the 4,537 persons so charged, 4,450 were convicted and the rest were acquitted or discharged. This large increase I think is attributable to extra vigilance on the part of the Police.

34. There is an increase in the number of merchant seamen placed before the Magistrates' Courts in 1885 as compared with the previous year. During the past year, 268 seamen were charged before the Courts against 181 in 1884. One hundred and forty-five seamen were imprisoned, 67 were fined or ordered to forfeit a portion of their wages, fourteen were admonished and discharged, twenty-nine were acquitted, and the charges against thirteen were withdrawn.

Refusal of duty on boardship, &c.

Years.	Prisoners.
1885	268
1884	181
Increase ...	87

As shown in Statement A., Breach of Special Laws.

Abusing and torturing animals.

Years.	Prisoners.
1885	3,204
1884	3,646
Decrease ...	442

Statement A, Class IV., included in miscellaneous offences.

35. A decrease appears under this head, 3,204 persons having been charged with the offence in 1885 against 3,646 in 1884. In all the cases, except nine, the parties were convicted and punished. The sum of Rs. 2,874-2-0, being a moiety of the fines inflicted, was paid to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Disorderly and indecent behaviour in public streets.

Years.	Prisoners.
1885	3,194
1884	3,620
Decrease ...	426

As shown in Statement A., Class I.

36. In the number of persons charged in 1885 with disorderly behaviour in the public streets there is again a decrease as compared with 1884; 3,139 persons were convicted and punished by the Magistrates in 1885, and the rest were acquitted or discharged, with the exception of one who was sent to the Lunatic Asylum.

Drunkenness.

Years.	Prisoners.
1885	6,648
1884	5,853
Increase ...	795

As shown in Statement A., Class II.

37. Under this head there is an increase of 795 in the year under report as compared with 1884. Of the 6,648 persons so charged, 380, including one female, were Europeans and 440 Eurasians and Native Christians, including nine females. Most of the others were Hindus and Mahomedans, and a few Pársis.

38. There is no ostensible cause for the increase in the offence of drunkenness, since the number of this kind of offence generally fluctuates considerably.

Assaulting Police Officers.

Years.	Offences.	Prisoners.
1885	36	57*
1884	14	19
Increase ...	22	38

As shown in Statement A., Class I., included in resisting, &c., public servants.

39. There is an increase of thirty-eight in the number of persons charged in 1885 with the offence of assaulting and resisting Police officers as compared with the preceding year. Fifty-six persons so charged were convicted and punished by the Magistrates and one was discharged.

40. From the returns now forwarded to Government it will be seen that of 41,469 persons charged with the various offences noticed (including thirty-seven persons under remand at the close of 1884), thirty-one were convicted and eight acquitted by the High Court, and one was awaiting trial by that tribunal at the close of 1885. The Presidency Magistrates convicted 33,651 and acquitted or discharged 7,699 persons. The dismissal of many of the cases by the Magistrates was owing to the complainants, after taking out summonses, failing to appear when the cases were called on for hearing.

41. The convictions before the High Court in 1885 were 82 per cent. against 88 per cent. in 1884.

42. Before the Magistrates the convictions were, during the past year, 94 against 93 per cent. in 1884. In this calculation complaints which have been withdrawn or which have been dismissed, because the prosecutors refused to offer further evidence, have not been included.

43. The proportion of convictions obtained in 1885 in cases brought before the Courts by the Executive Police is 98 against 96 per cent. during the previous year.

44. The statement given below shows the communities to which the offenders belonged:—

Years.	Caste.														Grand Total.
	Europeans.		Indo-Britons and Native Christians.		Hindus.		Mahomedans.		Pársis.		Others and unknown.		Total.		
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
1885	928	11	1,018	40	22,195	2,253	12,835	856	934	49	318	32	38,228	3,241	41,469
1884	843	19	1,149	45	20,195	1,956	10,986	681	905	106	547	59	34,625	2,866	37,491
Increase	85	..	..	..	2,000	297	1,849	175	29	..	..	..	3,603	375	3,978
Decrease	..	8	131	5	..	..	..	..	..	57	229	27	..	..	..

45. The increase in the number of Europeans brought before the Courts in 1885 as compared with 1884 is accounted for by the increase in the number of Europeans charged with drunkenness and refusal of duty, &c., on board ship. Few of the European residents of Bombay were brought before the Courts, the majority of the Europeans charged being seamen and soldiers.

46. There is an increase in the number of juvenile offenders placed before the Courts. During the past year, 842 juveniles were dealt with by the Magistrates against 735 in 1884. From Statement D. it will be seen that 817 of them were convicted and twenty-five acquitted by the Magistrates: 145 of these criminals were imprisoned, forty-six were sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory, thirty-one were flogged, 500 were fined, and ninety-five were admonished and discharged.

47. I am glad to find that there is again a decrease in the number of juvenile offenders who were charged with theft, 153 having been convicted of that offence in the past year against 161 in 1884.

48. Thirty-five cases were committed by the Magistrates for trial before the Criminal Sessions of Her Majesty's High Court in 1885 against forty-four cases in 1884.

49. As regards Statement J., I would refer Government to paragraph 60 of my report for 1884 as applying to similar cases in 1885.

50. During 1885 thirty appeals were presented against over-assessment of house-property by the Municipal Commissioner. Of these, twenty-four were disallowed, one was affirmed, three were withdrawn and two were pending at the close of the year. The appeal against rate of compensation for ground taken up by the Municipality for road improvement, which was pending at the close of 1884, was allowed.

51. No suits were filed in the Court of the Revenue Judge during the year under report, but thirteen suits of 1883 were disposed of by me during the past year in favour of the plaintiffs.

52. There were ten marine inquiries during the past year at which I was appointed by Government to preside.

Coroner's Inquests.

Years.	Numbers.
1885	415
1884	417
Decrease ...	2

53. The return received from the Coroner and herewith forwarded shows a decrease of two in the number of inquests held in 1885 as compared with 1884.

Fires.

Years.	Numbers.	Amount of Property destroyed.		
		Rs.	a.	p.
1885	51	6,28,519	0	0
1884	38	3,94,944	0	0
Increase ...	13	2,33,575	0	0

54. From Statement G. received from the Commissioner of Police it will be seen that fifty-one fires occurred in this city during the past year, and that there is an increase of Rs. 2,33,575 in the value of the property destroyed by the fire in 1885 as compared with the preceding year.

55. This report was as usual sent for the perusal of the Acting Commissioner of Police. That officer has no remarks to offer ; but I would here mention that the Magistrates and his Department still continue to work together with harmony and good-feeling.

56. With the exception of a few cases, which were unavoidably under remand at the close of the past year, there were no arrears in the Magistrates' Courts.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT A.

Statement of Offences reported and of persons tried, convicted and acquitted in the City of Bombay, exhibiting the number of persons committed to the Sessions of the High Court, the number convicted and acquitted by the High Court, and by the Presidency Magistrates, and the computed value of property stolen and recovered during the year 1885.

1	2	3	4				5	5A	6	7	8		9				10	11				12	13	14
			Pending in the Year 1884.								Convicted.		Acquitted.					Remaining under Trial.						
			Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.								By Magistrates.					Before High Court.		Before Magistrates.				
Serial Number.	Laws under which punishable.	Classification of Crimes and Offences.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Offences reported during the year.	Number of Offences reported in which persons were brought to trial during the year.	Number of persons under trial during the year.	Committed to Sessions.	By High Court.	By Magistrates.	By High Court.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn and dismissed for want of evidence.	Total.	Died, Escaped and Transferred.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Number of Cases.	Number of Prisoners.	Computed Value of Property Stolen.	Computed Value of Property Recovered.	Remarks.
		Class I.																						
		Offences against the State, the Public, and Justice																						
	Indian Penal Code.	*Against the State.*																						
1	133 to 238, and Section 257 of Shipping Act of 1854.	Abetment of assault on superior officers and insubordination by officers, soldiers and sailors, and harbouring deserters.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Relating to Coin, Stamps, Weight and Measures.																						
2	231 to 238	Counterfeiting coin	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	..	...	1	1	.....	.....	
3	246 to 249	Diminishing or altering coin ...	..	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
4	239 to 243 and 250 to 254.	Passing or possessing bad or altered coin.	...	...	...	..	7	7	8	..	...	6	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
5	264 to 267 and Act IV of 1882.	Making, using, or possessing false weights and measures.	...	..	...	...	22	22	22	...	...	20	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	32	31	32	...	...	27	...	3	1	4	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	30	28	30	...	...	24	...	6	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	2	3	2	...	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

		Against Public Justice.																						
6	109 and Police Act...	Other kinds of abetments ...	...	...	...	...	34	34	51	*2	2	26	...	16	3	19	...	...	...	3	6	.....	.....	* See remark opposite "Murder" in Class II. of this Statement.
7	140, 170, 171 ...	Personating public servant or soldier.	...	...	...	...	1	1	4	...	...	2	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
8	176, 177, 181, 182, 202, 203.	Omitting to give information of offence or giving false information.	...	...	...	...	13	10	10	...	...	7	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
9	183 to 187, 189, 190 and Police Act.	Resisting, obstructing or omitting to assist public servant.	...	...	...	...	39	39	62	...	...	61	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
10	188, C. P. C. & Police Act.	Disobedience of lawful order, causing injury, and neglecting to show cause of disobedience of lawful order.	...	...	...	...	51	51	51	...	...	3	...	1	47	48	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
11	212, 216	Harboring an offender	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
12	213 to 215	Taking gift to screen offender ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
13	224 to 226	Resistance to lawful apprehension and rescue or escape from lawful custody or transportation.	...	...	...	...	7	7	7	...	...	5	...	2	...	2	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
14	227	Violation of condition of remission of punishment.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
15	172 to 175 and 178 to 180, and Police Act.	Absconding from, avoiding or disobeying summons or notice or order to attend or produce, or refusing to answer or sign.	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	147	144	187	2	2	106	...	24	51	75	...	..	...	3	6	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	2	3	145	145	173	...	...	90	...	53	32	85	1	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	2	...	14	2	2	16	...	...	19	...	...	...	...	3	6	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	2	3	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	29	...	10	1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		By Public Servant.																						
16	161 to 164 and Police Act.	Taking valuable thing by or obtaining a gratification to influence public servant.	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	..	2	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
17	Police Act	Breach of Police Act by Police Officers.	...	...	...	...	6	6	6	...	...	4	...	...	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	9	9	9	...	...	6	...	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	8	8	8	2	...	4	2	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	2	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

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1	2	3	4				5	5A	6	7	8		9				10	11				12	13	14
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			Before High Court		Before Magistrates.								By Magistrates.					Before High Court		Before Magistrates.				
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		Class I.—*continued.*																						
		False Evidence, False Complaints or Claims, and Forgeries.																						
18	193 to 196 ...	Giving or fabricating false evidence	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
19	197 to 200 ...	Making, issuing, or using false statement or certificate ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
20	206 to 208, 421 to 424	Fraudulent claim to, or concealment of property, or suffering of decree	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
21	209 to 210 ...	False claim in Court of Justice ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
22	211	False charge of offence ...	..	...	...	...	8	8	8	..	...	7	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
23	C. P. C. 552 ...	Frivolous or vexatious complaint...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
24	465 to 469, 471, 474...	Forgery or fraudulently using or possessing forged document ...	...	...	...	...	6	5	8	...	...	...	...	8	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
25	477	Fraudulent cancellation or destruction of will or valuable security...	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
26	482 to 489 ...	Making or using false trade marks...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	..	...	...	...	17	15	18	1	...	7	1	10	...	10	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	1	1	...	...	18	18	29	1	1	8	1	14	6	20	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	1	1	...	...	1	3	11	...	1	1	...	4	6	10	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Public Nuisances.																						
27	269 to 294 ...	Public nuisances under Penal Code ... ... Nuisances under Police or Municipal and Local Acts ...	...	...	3	3	5,641	5,639	5,639	...	...	5,523	...	54	64	118	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	3	3	5,641	5,639	5,639	...	...	5,523	...	54	64	118	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	..	1	1	3,629	3,629	3,629	...	...	3,536	...	46	45	91	...	...	...	3	3	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	2	2	2,012	2,010	2,010	...	...	1,987	...	8	19	27	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	.....	.....	

		Relating to the Public Peace.																						
28	143 to 153, 157, 158	Rioting or unlawful assembly ...	...	...	...	...	1	1	23	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
29	160 and Police Act	Affray and disorderly or indecent behaviour	...	...	...	...	3,194	3,194	3,194	...	...	3,139	...	39	14	53	*1	..	...	1	1	.....	.....	* Sent to Lunatic Asylum.
30	295 to 298	Offences relating to religion ...	...	...	...	...	2	2	3	...	...	2	..	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	3,197	3,197	3,220	...	...	3,164	...	39	15	54	1	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	3,623	3,623	3,638	...	...	3,598	..	35	5	40	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	10	14	1	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	426	426	418	...	...	434	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		CLASS II.																						
		Offences against the Person.																						
31	302, 303	Murder... { By robbers ... ... / By poison or from other motives ...	...	...	1	†4	10	4	4	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	† The accused were committed to High Court in 1885 and two of them were convicted under section 328 and the other two under sections 328 and 109.
32	307, 24 and 25 Vic., Ch. 100, Secs. 11, 18.	Attempt to murder	...	...	...	...	4	3	3	2	2	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
33	301	Culpable homicide	...	...	...	...	4	3	3	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
34	304A	Causing death by negligence ...	...	...	...	...	4	4	4	2	1	1	‡1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	‡ Entered as unsustainable under Section 273, Criminal Procedure Code.
35	309	Attempting to commit suicide ...	...	...	...	...	29	29	29	...	...	23	...	4	1	5	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
36	312 to 316	Causing miscarriage	...	..	...	...	1	1	2	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
37	317, 318	Exposure of infant or concealment of birth	...	...	...	...	3	2	2	...	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
38	325, 326, 335 ...	Grievous hurt	...	...	4	8	46	44	70	4	3	39	1	23	3	26	...	...	...	3	9	.....	.....	§ Sent to Lunatic Asylum.
39	323, 324, 334 ...	Hurt	...	...	1	3	139	139	239	3	3	139	...	44	39	83	§1	..	...	6	16	.....	.....	
40	328	Administering stupefying drugs ...	...	...	...	...	1	1	3	‖2	2	...	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	..	...	.....	.....	‖ See remark opposite "Murder" entered above.
41	327, 330, 332 ...	Causing hurt to extort property or confession, or to deter public servant from his duty	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
42	336 to 338	Act dangerous to life or safety ...	...	...	1	2	13	13	18	...	...	7	...	13	...	13	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
43	341	Wrongful restraint...	...	...	..	...	1	1	1	..	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
44	342 to 346	Wrongful confinement	..	...	...	...	4	2	2	...	...	1	..	1	...	1	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
45	124, 352, 353, 355 to 358.	Assault or use of criminal force ..	...	...	...	..	2,908	2,778	5,371	1	1	1,682	...	961	3,322	4,283	...	...	...	2	5	.....	.....	
46	354	Assault or use of criminal force to a woman to outrage her modesty.	...	...	...	...	7	7	7	...	...	4	...	3	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
47	504 to 509 and Police Act.	Criminal intimidation or insult or using threatening or abusive words with intent to provoke a breach of the peace ...	...	...	..	...	397	331	331	...	...	75	...	84	172	256	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
48	510 and Police Act.	Causing annoyance in state of intoxication and being drunk and disorderly and incapable ...	...	...	...	...	6,648	6,648	6,648	...	...	6,603	...	8	36	44	¶1	...	..	...	...	.....	.....	¶ Sent to Lunatic Asylum.
49	370, 371	Buying or disposing of any person as a slave	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	1	1	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
50	363 to 365, 367 to 369.	Kidnapping and abduction ...	...	...	...	...	13	9	10	...	...	5	...	4	1	5	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
51	366	Abducting a woman to compel marriage or for defilement ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
52	372, 373	Selling, letting, or unlawfully obtaining a woman for purposes of prostitution	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
53	498	Enticing a married woman with criminal intent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
54	493 to 496	Fraudulent and unlawful marriages...	...	...	1	1	107	107	131	...	...	14	...	45	72	117	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
			...	...	...	...	47	6	16	...	...	...	...	11	5	16	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

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		Class II.—*continued.*																				Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	
		Offences against the Person—contd.																						
55	497	Adultery	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	...	...	...	...	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
56	376	Rape	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
57	377	Unnatural offences	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
58	500 to 502 ...	Defamation	...	...	...	...	42	28	37	...	...	3	...	9	25	34	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	8	18	10,435	10,165	12,936	23	19	7,997	4	1217	3,679	4,896	2	...	...	15	34	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	1	1	8	22	8,838	8,829	11,028	18	18	7,205	1	996	2,808	3,804	5	...	...	8	18	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	1,597	1,336	1,908	5	1	792	3	221	871	1,092	...	...	...	7	16	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	1	1	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	..	...	...	...	.....	
		Class III.																						
		Offences against Property																						
		With Violence.																						
59	392, 393 ...	Robbery	...	...	1	1	12	9	11	...	...	7	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	1	1	11,028 9 0	10,959 3 6	
60	384 to 389 ...	Extortion	...	...	...	...	3	2	5	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	...	...	...	1	2	.....	.....	
61	451, 454, 457 ...	House-breaking or house trespass, in order to commit theft ...	...	...	...	...	96	44	49	1	...	42	...	5	...	5	...	1	1	1	1	18,019 13 9	9,081 13 9	
62	452, 455, 458, 459, 460.	House-breaking or house trespass, with preparation for, or attempt at hurt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	... ..	.....	* Transferred to the authorities at Khándesh for trial.
		Without Violence.																						
63	379 to 382 ...	Theft ... { Of cattle ...	...	...	...	...	6	6	13	...	...	5	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	1	6	{ 1,40,293 13 5½	70,415 0 2½	† Prisoner died before trial.
64		{ Ordinary ...	1	1	3	3	2,219	1,398	1,481	5	5	1,277	1	179	10	189	...	...	...	11	13	}		‡ Transferred to the Baroda authorities for trial.
65	411 to 414 ...	Dishonestly receiving stolen property	...	...	1	3	103	102	127	...	...	99	...	28	...	28	†1	...	...	1	2	3,424 5 0	2,993 5 0	
66	403, 404 ...	Dishonest misappropriation of property	...	...	1	1	41	24	28	...	...	11	...	13	3	16	†1	...	...	1	1	... ..	.....	§ Three prisoners were transferred to the authorities at Poona, and two to the authorities at Ahmednagar for trial.
67	406 to 409 ...	Criminal breach of trust ...	...	...	1	1	389	279	298	1	1	156	...	102	36	138	‡1	...	...	2	3	42,846 1 1	30,818 2 5	
68	417 to 420 ...	Cheating	...	...	1	2	134	86	107	2	2	24	...	55	25	80	...	...	...	1	3	.....	.....	
69	Police Act ...	Possessing stolen property ...	...	...	2	3	416	415	523	...	...	468	...	46	5	51	§5	...	...	1	2	4,503 11 10	4,503 11 10	
70	Police Act ...	Finding and appropriating property with intent to despoil the owner	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

71	Police Act	Purchasing or receiving in pledge certain property from boys under the age of 14 years	...	...	...	...	12	12	12	...	...	11	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	1	1	10	14	3,431	2,377	2,654	9	8	2,100	1	435	82	517	8	1	1	21	34	2,27,116 6 1½	1,28,771 4 8½	
		Total in 1884 ...	..	...	10	11	4,035	2,828	3,101	29	25	2,141	3	805	107	912	16	1	1	10	14	1,52,100 7 11	76,978 14 8	
		Increase ...	1	1	...	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	20	75,015 14 2½	51,792 6 0½	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	604	451	447	20	17	41	2	370	25	395	8	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Malicious Offences.																						
72	426, 427, 430 to 433, 440,	Mischief, ordinary	...	...	...	...	52	42	53	...	...	20	...	16	17	33	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
73	428, 429	Mischief by poisoning or killing cattle	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
74	447, 448, and Police Act.	Criminal trespass or house trespass.	...	...	...	...	168	166	178	...	...	102	...	31	44	75	*1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	*Sent to Lunatic Asylum.
75	461, 462 ...	Breaking closed receptacle ...	..	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	220	208	231	...	...	122	...	47	61	108	1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	..	...	...	264	263	263	...	...	119	...	82	62	144	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	44	55	32	...	...	...	...	35	1	36	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		CLASS IV.																						
		Not included in the above Classes.																						
76	European Vagrancy Act.	Vagrancy without ostensible means of livelihood	...	...	...	...	63	63	63	...	..	59	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
77	C. P. C. 110 and Police Act.	Bad habit and repute and lurking with intent to steal	...	...	..	...	43	43	43	...	...	41	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
78	511 and Police Act ...	Attempt to commit an offence punishable with imprisonment or transportation if not punishable under special section	...	...	...	...	21	21	22	...	...	18	...	4	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
79	C. P. C. and Police Acts.	Miscellaneous offences	...	...	1	†1	3,645	3,625	3,625	...	...	3,371	...	108	146	254	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	†The prisoner was convicted in 1885 under the Foreigners' Act.
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	1	1	3,772	3,752	3,753	...	...	3,489	...	117	146	263	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	...	...	4,359	4,359	4,361	...	...	4,123	...	109	128	237	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	18	26	...	...	..	...	...	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	587	607	608	...	...	634	...	...	...	...	...	...	.	...	..	.....	.....	
		Breaches of Special Laws for the protection of the Revenue or on other subjects, the Acts being specified.																						
		Breaches of Laws relating																						
80	Act V. of 1878 ...	To Excise on Spirits and Drugs ..	...	...	...	...	45	45	45	...	...	38	...	7	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
81	Act I. of 1878 ...	,, Opium	...	...	...	...	28	28	28	...	...	26	...	2	...	2	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
82	Act VII. of 1873 ...	,, Salt	...	...	...	...	5	5	5	...	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
83	Act VIII. of 1878 ...	,, Sea and Land Customs ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
84	Act I. of 1879 ...	,, Stamps	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
85	Act XIV. of 1866 ...	,, Post Office	...	...	...	...	3	3	3	3	2	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
86	Act VIII. of 1860 ...	,, Electric Telegraph	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
87	Acts III. of 1872 (Bombay) and IV. of 1878.	,, Municipalities	...	...	...	...	5,577	5,577	5,577	...	...	4,260	...	45	1,271	1,316	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	

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		Breaches of Special Laws for the protection of the Revenue or on other subjects, the Acts being specified —continued.																						
		Breaches of Laws relating																						
88	Act I of 1859, &c....	To Merchant Seamen and Shipping Acts.	...	...	...	...	268	268	268	...	...	226	...	29	13	42	..	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
89	Acts XII of 1875, VI of 1879 and VI of 1883.	,, The Port	...	...	...	...	138	138	138	...	...	134	...	2	2	4	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
90	Act IV of 1879 ...	,, Railways...	...	...	...	...	102	102	102	1	...	94	1	3	4	7	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
91	Act III of 1872 (Bombay.)	,, Wheel Tax	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	.....	.....	
92	Act VI of 1863 (Bombay).	,, Boat Conveyance	...	...	...	...	137	137	137	...	...	137	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
93	Act VI of 1863 (Bombay).	,, Hackery Conveyance	...	...	...	...	4,537	4,537	4,537	...	..	4,450	...	16	71	87	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
94	Act XXV of 1867 ...	,, The Press	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	..	.....	.....	
95	Section 294 A., I.P.C. and Act XIII of 1856 (Police).	,, Gaming	...	...	...	...	252	252	1,195	...	...	1,181	...	12	2	14	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
96	Act XI of 1878 ...	,, Possession of Arms	...	...	...	...	4	4	4	...	...	4	...	...	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
97	Act V of 1863 (Bombay).	,, Gas Light	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
98	Act VI of 1882 ...	,, Indian Companies	..	..	...	...	2	2	4	...	...	2	...	1	1	2	...	..	...	...	...	.....	.....	
99	Act VIII of 1876 ..	,, Passengers	...	...	...	...	6	6	6	...	..	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
100	Act IX of 1874 ...	,, European Vagrants	...	..	...	...	2	2	2	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	..	..	.....	.....	
101	Act III of 1864 .	,, Foreigners' Act...	..	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	*2	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	*For the case against the other prisoner see remark opposite "Miscellaneous Offences" in Class IV of this statement.
102	Act I of 1874 ...	,, Tramways	..	...	..	...	57	57	57	...	...	32	...	6	19	25	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
103	Act XI of 1856 ...	,, Army Act (Deserters)	...	...	...	...	6	6	6	...	...	5	..	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
104	Act I of 1875 ...	,, Distress	...	...	...	...	8	5	5	...	...	2	...	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
105	Act VII of 1867 ...	Purchasing Soldier's clothing ...	...	...	...	...	15	15	15	...	...	10	...	5	...	5	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
106	Act XIII of 1859 ..	Artificers' Act	..	..	...	...	2	2	2	..	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
107	Act XIX of 1850 ..	Reformatory Act	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
108	Act XIV of 1868 ...	Contagious Diseases Act ...	...	...	..	...	371	371	371	...	...	277	...	2	92	94	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
109	Act I of 1877 ...	Vaccination Act	...	...	...	...	242	242	242	...	...	214	...	1	27	28	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
110	Act VII of 1881 ..	Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	1	1	1	..	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Total in 1885 ...	...	...	...	...	11,811	11,808	12,753	4	2	11,110	2	135	1,504	1,639	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Total in 1884 ...	...	...	13	13	10,359	10,359	11,183	...	...	9,387	...	140	1,669	1,809	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	
		Increase ...	...	...	...	...	1,452	1,449	1,570	4	2	1,723	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	.....	.....	
		Decrease ...	...	...	13	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	165	170	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	

*Sent to the Military authorities.

ABSTRACT.

	Class I.																							
1	Total of offences against the State																							
2	,, relating to coin, stamps, weights and measures					32	31	32			27		3	1	4				1	1				
3	,, against public justice					147	144	187	2	2	106		24	51	75				3	6				
4	,, by public servants					9	9	9			6		1	2	3									
5	,, relating to false evidence, false complaints or claims					17	15	18	1		7	1	10		10									
6	,, relating to public nuisances			3	3	5,641	5,639	5,639			5,523		54	64	118				1	1				
7	,, relating to the public peace					3,197	3,197	3,220			3,164		39	15	54	1			1	1				
				3	3	9,043	9,035	9,105	3	2	8,833	1	131	133	264	1			6	9				
	Class II.																							
8	Total of offences against the person			8	18	10,435	10,165	12,936	23	19	7,997	4	1,217	3,679	4,896	2			15	34				
	Class III.																							
9	Total of offences against property, with violence and without violence	1	1	10	14	3,431	2,377	2,654	9	8	2,100	1	435	82	517	8	1	1	21	34	2,27,116 6 1½		1,28,771 4 8½	
10	Total of malicious offences					220	208	231			122		47	61	108	1								
		1	1	10	14	3,651	2,585	2,885	9	8	2,222	1	482	143	625	9	1	1	21	34	2,27,116 6 1½		1,28,771 4 8½	
	Class IV.																							
11	Total of offences not included in the above class			1	1	3,772	3,752	3,753			3,489		117	146	263				1	1				
12	Relating to breaches of special laws and Police Acts, &c.					11,811	11,808	12,753	4	2	11,110	2	135	1,504	1,639				1	1				
	Grand Total in 1885	1	1	22	36	38,712	37,345	41,432	39	31	33,651	8	2,082	5,605	7,687	12	1	1	44	79	2,27,116 6 1½		1,28,771 4 8½	
	Grand Total in 1884	2	2	34	50	35,308	34,089	37,443	50	44	30,235	7	2,288	4,862	7,150	22	1	1	22	36	1,52,100, 7 11		76,978 14 8	
	Increase					3,404	3,256	3,989			3,416	1		743	537				22	43	75,015 14 2½		51,792 6 0½	
	Decrease	1	1	12	14				11	13			206			10								

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STATEMENT B.

Statement showing the Punishments inflicted by the various Criminal Tribunals in the City of Bombay in the year 1885.

| Class of Tribunals. | Persons sentenced to | | | | | | | | | | | Persons ordered to find or give Securities. | | Admonished and discharged. | Detail of Punishments. | | | | | | | | | | |

STATEMENT D.

Statement showing the Offences for which persons of the age of fourteen years and under were brought before the Presidency Magistrates, Bombay, during the year 1885.

Serial No.	Offences.	Number of Persons.	Convicted.	Discharged.	Result of Persons convicted.					
					Sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory.	Imprisoned.	Flogged.	Fined.	Bound over to be of good behaviour.	Admonished and discharged.
1	Theft	159	153	6	36	81	30	6	...	...
2	Dishonestly receiving stolen property ...	6	4	2	...	3	...	...	...	1
3	Fraudulent possession of stolen property ..	61	59	2	7	44	...	8	...	...
4	Offences relating to coin	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
5	Act dangerous to life or safety	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
6	Attempt at offences	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
7	Gambling	43	41	2	1	3	...	32	...	5
8	Causing obstruction in a thoroughfare ...	218	214	4	...	4	...	172	...	38
9	Leaving carriages without due control ..	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
10	Breach of Conveyance Act	159	159	...	...	...	...	151	...	8
11	Rash and negligent driving	7	7	...	...	...	...	7	...	...
12	Indecent behaviour in public streets ...	19	19	...	...	3	...	16	...	...
13	Breach of Railway Act	3	3	...	...	1	1	...	...	1
14	Torturing animals	14	14	...	...	...	...	13	...	1
15	Being drunk and incapable	8	8	...	...	...	...	8	...	...
16	Breach of Tramway Act	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
17	Begging for alms in public streets	10	10	...	...	4	...	...	...	6
18	Breach of Reformatory Act	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
19	Letting off fireworks in public streets ...	117	111	6	...	...	...	80	...	31
20	Breach of A'bkári Act...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
21	Bathing in public places	4	4	...	...	...	...	4	...	...
22	Assaulting Police Constables in the execution of duty	1	1	...	..	...	...	1	...	...
23	Poor children abandoned by parents ...	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...
24	Abetment of offences	2	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...
25	Escaping from legal custody...	1	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
26	Playing music in a public place without a license	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...
	Total in 1885 ...	842	817	25	46	145	31	500	...	95
	Total in 1884 ...	735	709	26	50	164	26	330	5	134
	Increase ...	107	108	...	..	...	5	170	...	...
	Decrease ...	...	...	1	4	19	...	...	5	39

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STATEMENT E.

Statement showing the Number of Cases in which the Punishment of Whipping was inflicted, from 1st January to 31st December 1885.

	Total.	Theft.				In possession of Property.				Receiving Stolen Goods.				Criminal Breach of Trust.				Cheating.			
		Punishment under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Punishment under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.
1885	51	48	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1884	50	41	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Increase	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Decrease	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

	Attempts at the commission of offences.				Aiding and abetting in the commission of offences.				Breach of Railway Act.				Criminal Misappropriation of Property.				Offences relating to Coin.				House-breaking.				Total.	
	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	Under 10 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Under 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	More than 20 stripes with rattan or cat-o'-nine tails.	Other punishment in addition to whipping.	With rattan.	With cat-o'-nine tails.
1885	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	51	..
1884	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	50	..
Increase	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..
Decrease	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..

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STATEMENT F.

Return of Inquests held by the Coroner of Bombay during the calendar year 1885.

Causes of Deaths.		Total for 1884.	Total for 1885.	Increase.	Decrease.
Homicidal deaths	Culpable homicide amounting to murder.	5	15	10	...
	Do. do. not amounting to murder	1	5	4	...
Death caused by rash and negligent act not amounting to culpable homicide		2	5	3	...
Death due to causing hurt		1	...	...	1
Suicidal deaths	Cutting throat	2	4	2	...
	Drowning	44	31	...	13
	Hanging	1	5	4	...
	Jumping out of a window, terrace and houses	...	1	1	...
	Poisoning	25	26	1	...
	Shooting	1	2	1	...
	Stabbing	1	...	...	1
Accidental Deaths.	Accidents on board ships	15	16	1	...
	„ from machinery	10	10	...	...
	„ from railways	16	15	...	1
	„ from tramways	2	1	...	1
	Accidental drowning	32	37	5	...
	„ poisoning	3	6	3	...
	„ shooting	1	1	...	...
	Bite of venomous reptiles	4	2	...	2
	„ of mad dogs	4	3	...	1
	Excessive drinking	11	13	2	...
	Fall from houses and buildings	25	14	...	11
	„ from scaffolding and ladders	7	11	4	...
	„ from trees	3	1	...	2
	„ into dry docks	1	1	...	...
	„ on road	...	1	1	...
	Falling bags of rice, sugar, grain, &c.	4	2	...	2
	„ cotton bales, bales of piece-goods and cases of merchandise.	7	1	...	6
	„ earth and stones	4	7	3	...
	„ houses and buildings	1	24	23	...
	„ iron plates and bars	3	2	...	1
	„ timber, planks and posts	8	...	...	8
	Inhaling mephitic gas	3	4	1	...
	Injuries from carts and carriages	20	25	5	...
	„ from fire	14	17	3	...
	„ from horses and bullocks	7	1	...	6
	Run over and jammed between railway waggons	1	...	...	1
	Scalds	4	3	...	1
	Miscellaneous accidents	10	8	...	2
Natural causes		85	72	...	13
	Found dead	4	5	1	...
	Found drowned	23	13	...	10
	Fracture of skull	1	...	...	1
	Rupture of spleen	...	2	2	...
Still-born		1	2	1	...
Death due to premature birth		...	1	1	...
	Total	417	415	82	84

THOMAS BLANEY,
Coroner of Bombay.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

Bombay, 2nd January 1886.

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STATEMENT G.

Return of Fires in the Island of Bombay from 1st January to 31st December 1885.

No.	Division.	Date.	Locality.	Hour.	Nature of Property damaged or destroyed.	Names of Owners of Property destroyed.	Estimated Damage of Property destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Remarks.
		1885.					Rs. a. p.		
1	C.	3rd January...	Chundunvádi ...	9 a. m.	A quantity of grass and the roof of a stable.	Jehangirji Rustomji	80 0 0	Unknown.	
2	E.	26th ,, ...	Haines Road ...	p. m.	A quantity of grass	Ganpat Apaji	1 8 0	Do.	
3	B.	2nd February.	Argyle Road ...	8 p. m.	A large quantity of cotton and wool and many logs of wood.	Tilloomul Chimandass	25,000 0 0	Accidental ...	The cause is supposed to be due to spontaneous combustion.
4	F. & G.	8th ,, ...	Hussáli Tank, Dádar	3-30 p. m.	4 jowli huts	Josa Jaffer and others	300 0 0	Do. ...	Careless cooking.
5	E.	20th ,, ...	New Foras Road ...	7-15 a. m.	A large quantity of loose cotton .	Jadhowji Raghowji's Mill ...	20,000 0 0	Do. ...	The cause is supposed to be due to spontaneous combustion.
6	E.	23rd ,, ...	Khandia Street ...	9 p. m.	A shed for buffaloes	Jubroo Jaffer	200 0 0	Do. ...	Carelessly keeping an open light near the grass.
7	F. & G.	25th ,, ...	Parel	3-45 p. m.	A small hay-stack	Rewoo, woman	40 0 0	Unknown.	
8	F.	27th ,, ...	New Foras Road ...	5 p. m.	A cudjan hut	Ganesh Messere	15 0 0	Do.	
9	A.	3rd March ...	Colába	9 a. m.	A quantity of cotton	Bombay Cotton Press Company...	150 0 0	Do.	
10	E.	11th ,, ...	Parel Road ...	4-30 p. m.	A cudjan hut	Narayen Rowji	15 0 0	Do.	
11	B.	13th ,, ...	Khuduck Street ...	3-15 p. m.	A house containing date leaf mats, &c.	Khan Mahomed Habib and others	5,450 0 0	Do.	
12	E.	25th ,, ...	Kámáthipura 8 Lane.	8 p. m.	Coir rope	Rajanna Saiboo	0 8 0	Do.	
13	A.	1st April ...	Marine Lines ...	11 p. m.	Ceiling cloth of a bungalow ...	Colonel Bevilles	20 0 0	Accidental ...	The cause of the fire is attributed to a lighted lamp being placed too near the ceiling cloth.
14	E.	18th ,, ...	Clerk Road ...	1 p. m.	53 hay-stacks	Narayen Jeeva, Brijpal Pacha, Amboo Mali, Gannu Mackoond and 49 others.	3,43,625 0 0	Unknown.	
15	C.	20th ,, ...	Bhaungvádi, Kálbádevi.	9 a. m.	A part of the roof of a chawl ...	Jugmohandass Jamnadass ...	900 0 0	Accidental ...	The origin of the fire is attributed to the negligence of one of the tenants, who had stored by his fire-place a quantity of saw-dust along side of which lay some cotton, and it is supposed that a spark fell among the dust, which took fire.
16	B.	28th ,, ...	Mándvi Bandar ...	3 a. m.	A quantity of cotton	Umarchand Oolsi and others ...	500 0 0	Do. ...	The fire was caused by a piece of lighted rope being left in the cooking place.
17	D.	5th May ...	Tárdeo Road ...	7 p. m.	Do. do.	Dinshaw Maneckji Petit Mill ...	500 0 0	Do. ...	Spontaneous combustion.
18	C.	,, ,, ...	Butcher Street ...	9 p. m.	A wooden roller of a wool burning machine.	Pestonji Rastomji	15 0 0	Do. ...	Caused by the axle having become heated.

19	E.	14th ,, ...	Ghorupdeo Road ...	9-30 a. m.	A quantity of cotton	Bapu Framji's Mill	2,000 0 0	Do. ...	It is believed that it was caused by friction.
20	D.	24th ,, ...	Tárdeo Road ...	1 p. m.	A quantity of paddy grass ...	Bhola Hannuman and others ...	260 0 0	Do. ...	The fire is said to have been occasioned by a spark from one of the locomotive engines belonging to the B. B. & C. I. Railway passing in close proximity.
21	B.	28th ,, ...	2nd Don Tár Street.	9-15 p. m.	A room containing fire-works, matches, kerosine-oil, &c.	Karim Nanji Khoja	500 0 0	Unknown.	
22	C.	9th June ...	3rd Bhoiwáda ...	1-30 a. m.	One house containing a large quantity of silk and a portion of another house.	Vulubdass Bhugwandass, Maggan Lalji Maharaj and Gop Kaisji Maharaj.	61,000 0 0	Do.	
23	F. & G.	14th ,, ...	Warli Pakádi ...	11 p. m.	A cudjan hut	Nagu Hurri	35 0 0	Accidental ...	Carelessly keeping fire in the fire-place.
24	F.	22nd ,, ...	Siwri Road ...	...	Do.	Warrin Hussein	3 0 0	Do. ...	A portion of the hut above the fire-place fell, and caused the fire.
25	A.	15th July ...	Pilot Bandar. Upper Colába.	6-30 a. m.	Charcoal	.....	No damage. ...	Do. ...	Spontaneous combustion.
26	P. Dock.	25th ,, ...	Prince's Dock ...	2-30 a. m.	Part of a cudjan hut	Messrs. Kirby & Co.	5 0 0	Unknown.	
27	E.	28th ,, ...	DeLisle Road ..	...	A cudjan hut	Juggannath Prag	50 0 0	Do.	
28	B.	26th August ...	Chinch Bandar, 1st Row.	4 a. m.	A cudjan hut and a quantity of dall.	Poonja Dhuramsy	275 0 0	Do.	
29	C.	8th October...	Kálbádevi Road ...	3 a. m.	Part of a roof	Radhakissan Dwarkadass ...	500 0 0	Do.	
30	A.	,, ,, ...	Kawákhana Lane ..	7-30 p. m.	A quantity of wood	Casam Emam	5 0 0	Do.	
31	B.	10th ,, ...	Carnac Road ..	...	A cupboard	Syed Abdul Rahiman	2 0 0	Do.	
32	E.	14th ,, ...	Foras Road ...	3-15 a. m.	A cotton godown	Jadhowji Raghowji	20,000 0 0	Accidental ...	Spontaneous combustion.
33	...	2nd November	Gilder Street ...	5-30 p. m.	25 cudjan huts and their contents: also one buffalo.	Moroo Mackoond...	215 0 0	Unknown.	
34	E.	3rd ,, ...	Ghorupdeo Road ...	8 a. m.	A cudjan hut	Bhabutti Lovaji	15 0 0	Do.	
35	C.	6th ,, ...	Shaikh Memon Street.	8-30 p. m.	A piece of muslin	Narotam Moolji	25 0 0	Accidental ...	The cloth caught fire from the contact of the lamp.
36	D.	15th ,, ...	Girgaon Back Road	12-30 p. m.	A quantity of grass	Mr. Dadabhoy Framji	15 0 0	Unknown.	
37	E.	15th ,, ...	Kámáthipura 1st Lane.	5-15 p. m.	Do. do.	Shittaram Chandka	2 0 0	Do.	
38	A.	16th ,, ...	Apollo Street ...	10-30 a. m.	A part of a roof	Messrs. David Sassoon & Co. ...	5 0 0	Accidental ...	The origin of the fire is due to the overheating of a chimney in a kitchen on the 3rd floor.
39	E.	17th ,, ...	Elphinstone Road, Parel.	2 p. m.	Cudjan huts and their contents ...	Narayen Bhiwa and others ...	1,360 0 0	Unknown.	
40	F. & G.	,, ,, ...	Parel Tank Road ...	5-30 p. m.	Cudjan huts, &c.	Raghoo Bapu and others ...	26 0 0	Do.	
41	B.	18th ,, ...	Frere Road ...	3 p. m.	A cudjan shed	.....	5 0 0	Accidental ...	The fire is attributed to a spark from an ironsmith's furnace in the shed.
42	F.	22nd ,, ...	Sopári Baug Road...	11-30 p. m.	A range of cudjan huts	Rustom Jaddha	111 0 0	Unknown.	
43	F. & G.	23rd ,, ...	Parel Tank Road ...	4 p. m.	A cudjan hut and its contents ...	The Western India Mill	52 0 0	Do.	
44	A.	24th ,, ...	Bázár Gate Street...	5-45 p. m.	Two cotton mattresses	Rattanbai, woman	25 0 0	Accidental ...	A naked kerosine lamp set fire to a piece of cotton hanging on a line of clothes, which fell and set fire to a bed.
45	G.	28th ,, ...	Sion	3-30 p. m.	A quantity of straw	Manglia Custia	16 0 0	Unknown.	
46	...	29th ,, ...	Wadála Road ...	1-30 a. m.	A cudjan hut	Hudoo Moolji	10 0 0	Do.	

STATEMENT G—*continued.*

No.	Division.	Date.	Locality.	Hour.	Name of Property damaged or destroyed.	Names of Owners of Property destroyed.	Estimated Damage of Property destroyed.	Cause of Fire.	Remarks.
		1885.					Rs. a. p.		
47	A.	5th December.	Golwal Lane, Fort...	2-15 a. m.	A house and other property ...	Cavasji Sorabji Batleewala and others.	9,000 0 0	Unknown.	
48	...	13th ,, ...	New Arthur Road...	10 a. m.	A quantity of hay...	Rowji Baloo	10 0 0	Do.	
49	E.	15th ,, ...	Bellasis Road ...	12 p. m.	Part of a warehouse and other property.	Messrs. Treacher & Co.	1,36,000 0 0	Accidental ...	The fire was probably due to spontaneous combustion.
50	A.	29th ,, ...	Mody Bay	1-30 p. m.	A jowli hut	Mackoond Chima Mahar ...	30 0 0	Do. ...	The cause is said to be a spark from a passing railway engine used for conveying earth from the New Dock excavations.
51	A.	,, ,, ...	Upper Colába ...	3-30 p. m.	Do.	Barrak Balaji, a gardner ...	150 0 0	Do. ...	The cause is believed to be the careless use of a fire placed in the hut.
						Total ...	6,28,519 0 0		

Bombay, 5th March 1886.

W. H. WILSON, Lieut.-Colonel,
Acting Commissioner of Police.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT H.

Abstract for Trial during the year 1885.

Class of Tribunal.	Number of Cases reported in which no persons were apprehended and in which process was refused during the year.	Total Number of Offences and Prisoners.						Remaining undisposed of in the year 1885.		Percentage of Persons convicted during the year 1885.	Sentence.						
		Convicted.		Released.													
					Prisoners.												
		Offences.	Prisoners.	Offences.	Acquitted.	Withdrawn.	Total.	Offences.	Prisoners.		Death.	Transportation.	Imprisonment.	Flogged.	Fined.	Bound over to be of good behaviour.	Admonished and discharged.
Before the High Court..	..	28	31	7	7	1	8	1	1	82	3	11	15	..	2	..	..
Before the Presidency Magistrates	1,367	31,987	33,651	5,301	2,082	5,605	7,687	44	79	94	..	..	3,226	51	24,345	294	5,735
Total in 1885 ..	1,367	32,015	33,682	5,308	2,089	5,606	7,695	45	80	94	3	11	3,241	51	24,347	294	5,735
Total in 1884 ..	1,219	28,870	30,279	5,196	2,294	4,863	7,157	23	37	93	4	20	3,047	50	21,191	214	5,758
Increase ..	148	3,145	3,403	112	..	743	538	22	43	1	..	..	194	1	3,156	80	..
Decrease ..	..	..	..	..	205	..	..	..	..	..	1	9	..	..	..	..	23

* Including 210 persons as follows :—
26 persons who were ordered to maintain their wives and children.
66 seamen ordered to forfeit a portion of their wages.
118 persons ordered to pay back conveyance hire.

Bombay,
Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
17th March 1886.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT I.

Statement showing the Way in which the Cases mentioned in the Statement A. came before the Court, and Result of Trial during the year 1885.

Cases.	Number of Prisoners.*	Committed to High Court.	Convicted.	Released.			Percentage of Convictions.	Remarks.
				Acquitted.	Withdrawn.	Total.		
Brought up by Executive or Town Police	28,222	32	27,400	533	182	715	98	* The figures in this column include 37 persons whose cases were undisposed of at the end of 1884, and also 80 persons under remand at the close of 1885. It also includes seven prisoners who were transferred to the authorities at Khándesh, Baroda, Poona and Ahmednagar, as also four prisoners who were sent to the Lunatic Asylum and one prisoner who died before trial.
Ditto by Water Police, Seamen's cases	263	..	222	28	13	41	89	
Ditto by Municipality ..	5,577	..	4,260	45	1,271	1,316	99	
Ditto by Summons, Warrants, &c.	7,407	7	1,769	1,476	4,139	5,615	54	
Total in 1885 ..	41,469	39	33,651	2,082	5,605	7,687	94	
Total in 1884 ..	37,495	50	30,235	2,288	4,862	7,150	93	
Increase ..	3,974	..	3,416	..	743	537	1	
Decrease ..	..	11	..	206	..	..	..	

Bombay,
Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
17th March 1886.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

STATEMENT J.

Statement showing the Number of Persons reconvicted by the Presidency Magistrates, Bombay, and the Nature and Amount of Punishment inflicted, from 1st January to 31st December 1885.

Serial Number.	Offences.	Reconvicted.				Fifteen Days and under.		Six Months and under.		Two Years and under.		Four Years and under.		Remarks.
		Once.	More than once.	More than twice.	More than three times.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	Rigorous.	Simple.	
1	House-breaking	7	7	2	1	...	...	2	...	15	...	...	...	
2	Robbery	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	
3	Theft	77	45	18	44	2	1	108	...	72	...	*1	...	*The prisoner was on the same day convicted of more offences than one and was sentenced to an accumulated term of imprisonment.
4	Dishonestly receiving stolen property	8	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	
5	Criminal breach of trust.	6	1	1	2	1	...	7	...	2	...	...	...	
6	Cheating	2	3	1	1	...	...	2	...	5	...	...	...	
7	Fraudulent possession of stolen property	10	7	3	6	4	2	20	...	...	...	...	...	
8	Attempt at offences ...	4	4	2	7	1	...	9	...	7	...	...	...	
9	Abetment of offences ...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	
10	Dishonest misappropriation of property... ...	...	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
11	Being habitual thieves and found between sunset and sun-rise loitering in public streets ...	1	5	2	12	1	...	†16	...	†3	...	...	...	†Eight persons were sentenced to imprisonment for failing to furnish sureties for their good behaviour.
12	Criminal trespass ...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	
13	Causing hurt	...	1	2	4	...	...	5	...	1	...	...	...	
14	Assault	...	...	1	3	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	
15	Gambling	1	...	...	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
16	Disorderly behaviour in a public place	...	...	1	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
17	Drunk and incapable ...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
	Total in 1885 ...	118	75	34	86	15	3	178	...	115	...	1	...	
	Total in 1884 ...	138	77	41	93	20	...	221	1	105	...	2	...	
	Increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	10	...	...	...	
	Decrease ...	20	2	7	7	5	...	43	1	...	...	1	...	

Bombay,
Chief Presidency Magistrate's Court,
17th March 1886.

C. P. COOPER,
Chief Presidency Magistrate.

No. 2863 OF 1886.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 12th May 1886.

Letter from the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, No. 209, dated 17th March, 1886—
Forwards Statements A. to J. showing the state of crime in the City of Bombay during the year 1885.

RESOLUTION.—The total number of persons dealt with in the Criminal Courts was 41,469. The number last year was 37,495. The average for the last five years is 37,882. The increase this year is therefore somewhat marked. The number of offences reported similarly rose from 35,308 last year to 38,712 in that under review. A marked increase is apparent in the following classes of crime. Public nuisances were 5,641 against 3,629, offences against the person 10,435 against 8,838, and those against special Laws 11,811 against 10,359. There was a considerable decrease in offences against the public peace—3,197 against 3,623, and in those against property—3,431 against 4,035.

Offences dealt with.

Increase and Decrease.

2. There were 14 cases of culpable homicide (10 of which were murders), against 10 last year, and the same number the year before.

Culpable Homicide.

3. Though offences against property show the considerable decrease above indicated, the value of stolen property has unfortunately risen by about 50 per cent., from Rs. 1,52,100-7-11 last year, to Rs. 2,27,116-6-1½ this. But the percentage recovered was 57, and this is greater than in either of the two preceding years, when it was 51 and 46 respectively.

Stolen Property.

4. The number of persons charged with cruelty to animals was still large—3,204 against 3,646 last year, and 3,290 the year before. It is satisfactory that out of so large a number only 9 escaped conviction.

Cruelty to Animals.

5. There is again a satisfactory decrease in the number of persons charged with disorderly conduct in the public streets. The figures for the last three years are 4,215, 3,620, and 3,194. The improvement noted last year as to drunkenness has not been maintained. The number of persons charged rose from 5,853 to 6,648. Government regret to notice that one-eighth of the whole number this year, and one-seventh last, were Europeans, Eurasians, and Native Christians. Most of the Europeans were seamen and soldiers.

Disorderly conduct and drunkenness.

6. The figures showing the proportion of convictions to persons charged are eminently satisfactory. The percentage in cases before the High Court was 82. It was 88 last year. In those before the Magistrates it was 94 against 93. In cases brought before the Courts by the Police the convictions were 98 per cent.,—a remarkably high and creditable figure. Last year too the Police were very successful, securing convictions in 96 per cent. of their cases.

Statistics of Convictions.

7. The following table extracted from paragraph 44 of the report summarises particulars of the nationalities of the offenders dealt with :—

Years.	CASTE.														Grand Total.
	Europeans.		Indo-Britons and Native Christians.		Hindus.		Mahomedans.		Pársis.		Others and unknown.		Total.		
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	
1885	928	11	1,018	40	22,195	2,253	12,835	856	934	49	318	32	38,22[illegible]	3,241	41,469
1884	843	19	1,149	45	20,195	1,956	10,986	681	905	106	547	59	34,625	2,866	37,491
Increase	85	..	..	..	2,000	297	1,8[illegible]	175	29	..	..	..	3,603	375	3,978
Decrease	..	8	131	5	..	..	..	..	..	57	229	27	..	..	..

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8. The number of juvenile offenders dealt with, which last year had fallen from 893 to 735, has again risen to 842. Of these 817 were convicted. There were 216 convictions for theft and possession of stolen property. The remainder were for comparatively trifling offences. Obstructions in thoroughfares, breaches of the Conveyance Act, and letting off fireworks in the streets, accounted together for 484. Of the convicts, 46 were sent to the David Sassoon Reformatory.

Juvenile Offenders.

9. Fifty-one fires occurred during the year. The value of property destroyed was very high,—Rs. 6,28,519 against Rs. 3,94,944 last year and Rs. 6,04,963-6-0 the year before. Two cases account for the large increase. In the one 53 hay stacks valued at Rs. 3,43,625 were destroyed. The cause is entered as unknown. In the other Messrs. Treacher & Co. suffered a loss of Rs. 1,36,000 by the burning of their warehouse. This fire is put down to spontaneous combustion.

Fires.

10. Thirty appeals against over-assessment were heard by the Chief Magistrate during the year. No new Revenue Suits were filed, but 13 of 1883 were disposed of. The Chief Magistrate presided at 10 Marine Enquiries. The Coroner held 415 inquests against 417 last year.

Miscellaneous work.

11. The above gives the chief points of interest in the Report. The year's statistics present no very striking features. The work of the Police and the Magistrates has, as far as can be judged from these figures, been satisfactory. There is a noticeable increase in crime as a whole. It may not be permanent, but it is only to be expected that with expanding population the figures will, with fluctuations, show a tendency to rise gradually. It would be convenient if, in future Reports, the table in paragraph 6 were enlarged by two columns, to show respectively the population of the Town and Island during the various years, and also the percentage of the number of prisoners dealt with to this population.

General results.

12. Copies of the Report and of this Resolution should be sent to the Government of India and the Secretary of State, and a copy should be placed on the Editors' Table.

(Signed) A. SHEWAN,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To

The Chief Presidency Magistrate,
The Commissioner of Police, Bombay,
The Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay,
The General Department,
The Government of India,
The Under Secretary of State for India, } By letter.
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